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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure, enclosed please find an article corresponding to the above-identified application. Further enclosed is a List, on a form substantially equal to Form PTO-1449, listing these documents for the Examiner's consideration.

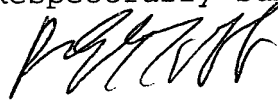
This information disclosure statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits.

The documents are listed on the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449, they are in the English language.

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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